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Armistice Prevented Avalanche of Attack

ON NOV. 12, 600,000 MEN WERE TO HAVE RUSHED THE HUNS ON THE LORRAINE FRONT.

Paris, January 6.—Germany hurried to request the armistice when she saw that a new allied offensive was to be launched on the Lorraine front on Nov. 12, by 600,000 men under the command of General De Castlenau, says the Excelsior.

American and French troops, it says, were concentrated on the front between Briey and Chateau Saulens. They were supported by 3,000 guns of all calibres and had 300 tanks available on a front of about 45 miles. Duke Albrecht of Wurttemburg, the German commander on this front, had only 25 divisions of inferior fighting quality. These divisions contained approximately 16,000 men. eH had only one thousand guns.

This allied attack, the Excelsior continues, would have carried the war into annexed Lorraine and into Rhenisch Prussia, threatening to cut off the Germany army in Belgium and in the Ardennes from its bases.

German general headquarters, realizing that the divisions on their other sectors were exhausted and that its forces were demoralized and worn out averted a catastrophe by pleading for an armistice. The Excelsior concludes:

"The success of the offensive was assured but it could not have made victory more complete than it already was, because Germany accepted all our conditions. Marshal Foch deemed it useless to cause further shedding of blood and consented to stop hostilities, although Germany was then in a desperate plight."

Alberta Legislature Assembles February 4

A session of the provincial legislature has been called to meet at the legislative buildings in the city of Edmonton on Tuesday, February 4th. This is somewhat earlier than the usual session, but usually February is the month selected. The government has made no statement about the legislation to be submitted, but it is generally expected that the program will not be very heavy.

PENHOLD NOTES

Penhold is still free from flu.

The Penhold School opened on Monday, with Miss McLean as teacher.

Miss Maxwell from Manitoba arrived last week and is staying with Mrs. Dixon. Miss Maxwell is the new teacher at Horn Hill.

The Red Cross meetings will be resumed on Thursday first, January 9th, at the home of Mrs. T. Stewart. A special appeal has been made from headquarters that there should be no slackening up of the work of the Red Cross Society, as there is still great need of all kinds of sewing. So please all make an effort to be present on Thursday, January 9th, 1919.

The Misses Eyre are expecting a visit from their friend Miss Appleyard, who is on her way east on a vacation, after 5 years of missionary work among the Indians in the Yukon.

Cecil Parker arrived home on Saturday, after being detained by some error at Halifax. A good crowd went to meet him and were very glad to be able to welcome him home again. Cecil was looking very well.

Services were held last Sunday in the Presbyterian and Anglican Churches, and were well attended.

The services next Sunday in the Presbyterian Church will be at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. in Penhold and at 2.30 at Ridgewood.

Mrs. Toynbee arrived from Calgary Saturday night and is staying a while with Mrs. Chas. Newton. Mrs. Toynbee has been very sick for some time past, but is recovering nicely.

Ernest Barton has recovered from his late sickness.

Mr. Johnson Woods is making good progress in Red Deer hospital.

Miss Lina Johnson had an operation on her leg. A piece of the bone had to be removed. This was a very painful operation but good progress is recorded.

The annual meeting of the ratepayers of the Horn Hill School District will be held in the Horn Hill School House at 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 11th.

The annual meeting of the Westholm S.D., 1207, will be held in the School House on Saturday, Jan. 11, at 2 p.m.

The annual meeting of the ratepayers of the Fafrlands S.D., 245, will be held in the School House on Saturday, January 11, at 2 p.m.

Jim Reeves' new house is all ready for the plasterers.

POPLAR RIDGE

School reopened last Thursday after having been closed for two months.

Miss Flood resumed her duties as teacher.

Rev. C. C. McLaurin, of Calgary, preached in the schoolhouse on Sunday afternoon.

The Misses. Staples, Soderman and Irma Strong returned to Red Deer to resume their studies.

W. R. Atkins was very pleasantly surprised last Friday evening when his friends gathered at his home to help him celebrate his birthday. A very pleasant evening was spent in games and music.

Gunner Jim Hazelett returned from France and was calling on his friends last week. Jim has some very interesting experiences to relate.

Rumors had it that Santa Claus was afraid of the flu and had fled to France. The rumor proved false, as he was seen entering a house that had the flu on Christmas Eve, with a large box under his arm. Good old Santa.

Neil Lamont who had been training in the flying corps east, made a short visit to his father and brother and has gone south.

NORTH RED DEER COUNCIL

At the first meeting of the 1919 Council, held Monday night in the village office, Reeve Durand was re-elected to the honorable position of chief magistrate for the year. J. E. Welton was re-appointed Secretary-Treasurer, at the same salary, and Edward Wilton was re-appointed auditor.

The following accounts were passed for payment: Frank Carey, $1.05; A. L. Clark, $1.05; Village of North Red Deer, $2.20 and $43.84; Western General Electric Co.,$2.50 and $31.25; Day Hardware Co. 15c; Harvey Snell, $19.20; Wm Rich, $14.80; L. Reveyrand, $30.00 for year's lease of Nuisance Grounds.

For the information of those who are interested, the Council of the Village of North Red Deer made a very careful survey of the village to ascertain the number of vacant dwellings to be found at present in the entire village. The number was fifty, and this included about ten one-roomed shacks that could scarcely be called dwelling houses.

NEW POST MASTER.

The question as to who was to be the new post master was settled a few days ago, when Thomas Edis, formerly assistant post master was appointed by the Union Government. Mr. Edis joined the Canadian Navy, and has been serving at the coast for about a year and a half. He had three years' experience in the Red Deer office before joining the Naval forces.

STATUTORY MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

The statutory meeting of the City Council was held on Monday evening last with His Worship Mayor W. E. Lord in the chair, and Aldermen Galbraith, Stone, Collison, Broughton and Moyes in attendance.

The secretary-treasurer stated that the Mayor and Aldermen Broughton, Collison and Moyes had taken the statutory declarations, and were entitled to take their seats.

P. E. Graham resigned his position as a member of the Library Board, owing to press of work.

The resignation was accepted.

Moved by Ald. Stone and Galbraith that the sec.-treas. be authorized to execute an assignment of tax sale transfer to lots 3 and 4 Rosedale to Mrs. G. W. Smith, on payment of the city's claim of $318.87. Carried.

Ex-Mayor G. W. Smith was present and congratulated Mayor Lord and the new aldermen on their election. He regretted withdrawing from municipal life, as his intercourse with all the members had been of the most harmonious nature. He thought Red Deer stood in a splendid position at the present time. He thought the collection of taxes was excellent, and the standing at the Bank was most satisfactory, as we had done all we promised to do, and there was no cause for panic, and if we go along and collect our taxes as we have in the past we will be alright. No doubt some arrangement will be made to meet our financial obligations. It had been a pleasure to work with the Council during the past year, and he thanked the members for their assistance and forbearance, and it was, he repeated, with considerable regret that he severed his connection with the Council. He was fortunate in having such a strong man as the secretary-treasurer to assist him, as Commissioner Stephenson had all the work of the municipality at his finger tips, and a large share of the City's splendid stand was due to his efforts. He also paid a deserved compliment to A. G. Ayres for the splendid work he had done in the City office during the past two months.

Mayor Lord thanked Ex-Mayor Smith for his remarks.

Ald. Collison, on rising, congratulated Mayor Lord on taking his seat, and also congratulated the new councillors. He congratulated Ex-Mayor Smith on his remarks, asking the new council to keep all to keep his remarks in mind. He regretted that time made it necessary for these changes with those with whom we have had such friendly relations.

On motion of Ald. Moyes and Ald. Galbraith, Ald. Collison was appointed Deputy Mayor for the ensuing three months.

Ald. Galbraith resigned his position on the Library board.

The resignation was accepted.

Ald. Galbraith and Collison moved that E. G. Johns and F. G. Whitehouse be appointed members of the Library Board for the two years' term and that J. F. Boyce be appointed for the balance of the term of P. E. Graham, resigned, and that Ald. Broughton be appointed for the balance of the term of Ald. Galbraith, resigned. Carried.

Ald. Galbraith and Stone moved that Ald. Moyes be appointed on the Board of Health for the three year term. Carried. The other members on the Board of Health are the Mayor, the Medical Health Officer, Ald. Dr. Collison and Ald. Stone.

T. A. Gaetz was the retiring member of the Board of Health. He has been a member longer than any person in the city. The Board of Health is now composed entirely of members of the Council.

The Hospital Commissioners were appointed as follows: F. H. Tallman, F. W. Galbraith, and His Honor Judge Mahaffy. Ald. Collison remarked that Mr. Tallman, who had been such a faithful worker with regard to the Hospital, did not feel like accepting office again, as he did not get support from the other members. He asked Ald. Galbraith how often he had been at the Hospital. Ald. Galbraith answered, twice. He apologized for his neglect and recognized the justice of Mr. Tallman's stand and Ald. Collison's remark.

Continuing, Ald. Collison paid a high tribute of praise to the Matron and Staff of the Hospital for their splendid work. He said they must have relief or assistance. They were being worked to death. He was afraid the staff wouldn't stand it.

Dr. Henry George was re-appointed Medical Health officer.

Ald. Galbraith and Stone moved that Mr. Ayres be granted a bonus of $60 for his extra work in the City office in 1918, that Dr. Henry George, M.H.O. be granted $40 for extra services during the flu epidemic, and that $20 be granted also to Constable Halstead for extra services during the flu epidemic. Carried.

After some discussion with regard to Hospitals, the Council adjourned at 10 o'clock.

WOMAN'S INSTITUTE ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Woman's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. W. E. Lord on Friday, January 3. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. F. C. Whitehouse
1st Vice-Pres.—Mrs. H. G. Stone
2nd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. D. McKinnon
3rd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. Houghton
Sec'y-Treas.—Mrs. J. G. Fulton

Directors—Mrs. W. E. Lord, Mrs. R. Cornett, Mrs. (Dr.) DeLong, Mrs. A. H. Moyes, Mrs. Bjorkeland, Mrs. H. L. Gaetz, Mrs. Geo. Lindsay, Mrs. J. Richards.

Convenor Relief Committee—Mrs. E. Greig.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Madam President and Ladies:—

In presenting the Secretary-Treasurer's report of the Red Deer branch of the Women's Institute, I would report a most successful year. During the year nine regular and two special meetings were held with an average attendance of seventeen members. The list of paid-up members includes forty-two names.

At our meeting in March it was decided to give each member with a son or husband on active service a life membership in the Red Cross, the number to receive this distinction was ten.

We devoted our time to relief and patriotic work, also the Memorial Hospital. The attached financial report will enumerate the sources of revenue.

Owing to the influenza epidemic it was necessary to cancel the auction sale; nevertheless, our requests for contributions, particularly from the districts, were very generously met.

In closing my report, would like to thank the members and executive for their hearty support during my term of office.

SAGGRA G. LORD,
President.
A. PEARL FULTON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Receipts

Credit balance in bank	$ 54.91
Membership fees	10.50
Tea room	110.38
Tea, Mrs. Whitehouse	80.20
Garden party	67.70
Government grant	10.00
Donation of vegetables	2.25
Donation for Prisoners of War....	4.00
Donations in connection with auction sales	436.80
Donation, Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore	5.00
Proceeds from Bonspiel	175.56
Proceeds from sale of roses	46.66
Checks from Shriners	10.00
Bank interest	3.45
	$1016.75

Disbursements

Advertising	$ 11.65
Soldiers' Xmas boxes	227.57
Belgian relief	50.00
Delegates expenses to convention	10.00
Membership fee to Local Council	2.00
Persentage to Presbyterian Ladies' Aid	2.00
Local relief	65.00
Overseas Tobacco Club	12.00
Stamps and stationery	4.00
Red Cross	284.56
Prisoners of War	105.00
Electric light	10.00
Tables, bed and linen for the Major Gaetz ward at Hospital	82.00
Expenses in connection with tea room	21.65
Prize for Agricultural Fair	10.00
Credit balance in Bank	119.32
	$1016.75

The Red Deer branch of Woman's Institute wish to acknowledge with thanks the following amounts received from collections in the Red Deer district in connection with our auction sale:

Nordegg, collected by Mrs. Stewart	$112.80
Nordegg, collected by Mrs. Perry	77.00
Hespero, collected by Mrs. McDonald	16.00
Poplar Ridge, collected by Mrs. Neilson	22.50
Crossroads, collected by Misses Hart and Neilson	19.00
Evergreen, collected by Joe Benst	63.20
Pine Lake, collected by Mrs. Colclough	7.05
Horn Hill, collected by Mrs. Bjorkeland and Mrs. Houghton	52.00
Balmoral, collected by Mrs. Jenkins	63.00
Donation, Mrs. R. C. Tennant.....	1.25
Donation, Mrs. Bannerman	1.00
Donation, Rod and Harry Ellenwood	2.00
	$ 436.80

PINE LAKE.

The flu has not been so bad at Pine Lake as at other country districts.

Mrs. J. B. Herbert has put in quite a few weeks nursing the flu in Red Deer and Edwell.

James Friends of Grassy Lake, and Dr. Warke, have returned from England and the Front. A few friends turned up on Dec. 27th to give Dr. Warke a welcome home, a pleasant time being spent in dancing and cards. Mrs. M. Walton, of Milnerton, also pleased the company with a few selections on the violin.

Church notes.—Holy Communion at Hillsdown on Jan. 19th at 11.30 a.m. Service will be held in Mr. Fiske's house if the weather is severe. Next service in Pine Lake on January 26, at 3.00 p.m.

Miss Gladys Alford was in the city over the week end on her way to Edmonton, where she takes a position with the same company as she worked for in Calgary.

CHURCH NOTICES

Baptist Church services next Sunday as usual, morning at 11 o'clock, evening at 7.30. Rev. D. A. Gunn, returned missionary from India, will preach at both services. Evening subject: "India and the war." Rev. Gunn will remain in the city during the week and will also conduct the services the following Sunday.—Mr. Gunn will preach at Poplar Ridge in the afternoon at 2.30 p.m.

Knox Church, Red Deer, Jan. 12. What light have the principles of Christianity thrown upon the 6th Commandment, "Thou shalt not kill," will be the subject of study at the morning worship next Sunday. In the evening the young people's society will lead the congregation in the study of "Home mission work among the Ukrainian people in Canada." This has always been an important work but is more than ever so today. Sabbath school at 3 o'clock. The annual meeting of the congregation will be held on Wednesday, January 15th at 8 p.m. in the Church.

St. Luke's Church services for the 1st Sunday after Epiphany: 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 11 a.m., Matins; 2.30, Sunday School; 7.30, Evensong.

The meetings at the Salvation Army will be conducted as usual on Sunday, January 12th: Sunday School at 11.00 a.m., Praise Meeting at 3 p.m., Salvation Meeting at 7.30 p.m. All are invited to attend these meetings.

Whether you are a Jew or a Gentile, you will be interested in the course of lectures on "Dispensational Facts," to begin every Thursday evening at the Nazarene Church Mission, Ross Street, by Rev. A. C. Metcalf. The first lecture on Thursday next, January 9th, will be "The Jew." Let us watch together the dealings of God with this, a once chosen nation.

Services have been discontinued in the Nazarene Church, but will be held in the hall next to Brumpton & Gaetz' Store on West Ross Street. Sunday School at 1.30, preaching at 2.30 and 7.30. Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 8 p.m. Your presence will be much appreciated at these services.

UNITED MEETINGS FOR PRAYER

Special meetings for prayer, to which all are invited will be held this week as follows: Wednesday, Methodist Church; Thursday, Presbyterian Church; Friday, Methodist Church; at 8 o'clock in the evening. As this is the week of prayer throughout the Christian world, it is the privilege of the people of Red Deer to unite with many others in the above meetings.

PINE LAKE RED CROSS AUXILIARY

The financial statement of the Pine Lake Red Cross Auxiliary from October to December, 1918, is as follows:

Balance	$ 16.97
October 2—	
Mrs. Aiter	25.00
October 3—	
J. H. Potter	10.00
A. Pardoe	2.00
R. Milligan	6.00
F. Lawrence	5.00
J. Herbert	4.00
Mrs. Herbert	1.00
R. Priesick	2.00
Page Bros.	5.00
R. Page	5.00
Mrs. Bain	1.00
C. Burnett	2.00
George Nash	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Sharp	5.00
October 4—	
H. Clifton	5.00
H. Thorburn	1.00
R. Pierce	2.00
Miss Cowithorp	.50
Mrs. Cowithorp	.50
Mrs. Faught	1.00
W. Lobdell	1.00
Mrs. Morgan	1.00
Mrs. Warke	2.00
Mrs. Allen	1.00
Mrs. Johnson	1.00
Per. C. E. Aiter	5.00
J. W. Escott	5.00
D. Colclough	5.00
Mrs. Colclough	2.00
October 16—	
R. B. Heron	5.00
Anon	5.00
Dorothy Atter	1.00
October 28—	
Belgrove Sunday School	12.00
Anon	2.00
Pine Lake Church	3.50
November 2—	
F. L. Saxby	10.00
Wallin Bros.	10.00
W. R. Charley	10.00
M. Howell	10.00
November 14—	
C. Myers	5.00
Collection at Sandy Cove Hotel dance, by kindness of Messrs. Nash, Burnett and Thorburn.	12.15
December 20—	
J. A. Pope	5.00
Small donations	1.50
Mrs. Greenham's French class.....	6.00
Mr. and Mrs. Greenham	6.00
	$227.57

Expenditure

Oct. 1—Stamps	$.50
Oct. 17—Christmas Cheer fund....	25.00
Oct. 17—Red Cross general fund	50.00
Nov. 1—Red Cross general fund	50.00
Nov. 1—Serbian relief	12.00
Nov. 9—Postage, etc.	.50
Dec. 21—Red Cross general fund	43.25
Balance in hand	46.32
	$227.57

MARGARET E. GREENHAM,
Hon. Sec'y-Treas.

CIVIL WAR IN GERMANY

SOUND OF MACHINE GUNS CAN BE HEARD FROM ALL PARTS OF GERMAN CAPITAL

Copenhagen, Jan. 7.—Berlin is in a state of complete anarchy and civil war has begun there, according to the Munich correspondent of the Politiken. His information, he says, is based on telephone messages from the German capital.

All the banks are barricaded and a great number of the public buildings are in the hands of the Spartacan or extreme radical group. Thousands of armed workmen of the Spartacus faction, the correspondent reports, are crowding the streets, and at several points firing has begun. The sound of machine gun fire could be heard from all parts of Berlin.

The message reported the intention of the government to make an effort to storm the building of the police guards later in the day and take possession of all the machine guns and cannon there. Dr. Karl Liebnecht, the Spartacan leader, has been seen here and there about the city organizing his troops for the final fight which the correspondent says is expected to begin very soon. Hundreds of persons are reported fleeing from the city.

Great American, Theodore Roosevelt, Dies in His Sleep

FORMER PRESIDENT HAD BEEN SUFFERING FROM RHEUMATISM AND SCIATICA, BUT THERE WAS NO INDICATION THAT END WAS NEAR. EXPECTED SOON TO RESUME HIS WOOD-CHOPPIN GRECREATION. FUNERAL WEDNESDAY, PRIVATE

Washington, Jan. 6.—Washington, representing the nation at large, gave solemn and earnest expression today to the country's regret of the death of Theodore Roosevelt, and its admiration for his character and achievements.

Flags on every government building throughout the United States and at every army post and on every naval vessel wer ordered placed at half-mast. The senate and house adjourned after eulogies of the former president had been delivered by both republicans and democrats, and committees had been appointed to attend his funeral, and the supreme court took unprecedented action in adjourning without the transaction of any business.

Formal tributes were paid Col. Roosevelt by government officials, members of congress and cabinet officers. President Wilson was cabled the news by the executive officers of the White House. Many touching statements of personal grief were made by men and women who had been associated closely with the former president during his life in Washington, particularly the seven years of his residence in the White House, and members of the diplomatic corps expressed the admiration which the peoples in foreign lands held for him.

CURLING NOTES

Leslie Marshall will take a rink to Calgary Bonspiel on Sunday next. The rink will consist of S. Smith, W. T. Coote, Jack Fulton, and L. Marshall.

Two skips, Campbell and Wellwer, have been chosen to play for the Wiser trophy whenever a game can be arranged with Castor.

In the Club Cup contest, the only cup played for as yet, the standing of the rinks are:

	Won	Lost
W. T. Coote	4	2
J. G. Fulton	4	1
E. A. Bonnick	3	2
R. B. Wellwer	2	3
J. M. Campbell	4	1
R. Munro	2	2
Les. Marshall	2	3
P. E. Graham	3	2
T. A. Gaetz	2	0
Clare Stone	1	3
E. G. Johns	0	2
H. H. Humber	1	1
Rev. W. G. Brown	3	1
A. S. Maxwell	1	2
J. Skene	3	3
Roy Stone	3	2
E. Beckett	2	2

RED CROSS DONATIONS

Collected by Miss E. McDonell,

Hespero	$ 22.50
Collected by Mrs. Turnbull	12.75
Sale of potatoes, per Mrs. Quigg	1.00
Mr. John Lamont	12.00
Woman's Institute, for Prisoners of War	15.00
I.O.D.E. for Prisoners of War....	45.00
Mr. and Mrs. Ellenwood	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vail, Sylvan Lake	10.00
Miss Williams, Sylvan Lake.....	2.00

Mrs. Albert Trimble, prize money at fair, proceeds of lunch and dance held at auction sale at Wm. Milnes by ladies of Crossroads and Poplar Ridge 31.60

A. M. SIMPSON, Sec.-Treas.

The Red Cross rooms, after having been closed for two months on account of the influenza quarantine, are again open for business. The general work of the Society is by no means over. The men in hospitals overseas, where they will remain for many months, the forces in Siberia and the ever increasing numbers of hospital cases in Canada will make such demands on the Red Cross that work must be kept up at top speed till the summer. We hope that those who have worked so faithfully during the war will continue giving their services until the work is no longer necessary.

COUNT HERTLING EX-HUN IMPERIAL CHANCELLOR DEAD

MAN WHO PUT OUT PEACE FEELERS FOR KAISER PASSES AWAY.

Copenhagen, Jan. 5.—Count Hertling, former imperial German chancellor, died Saturday night. He was ill for several days.

Count George von Hertling was considered the most learned of all the men called to the chancellorship of Germany since 1871. He had won for himself a scholarship reputation before he entered political life, and up to 1912, when he became Bavaria's minister president, he had combined educational and literary work with his political activity. He was appointed German chancellor in October, 1917. He resigned in the fall of 1918, and the then emperor, Wilhelm, conferred upon him the order of the Black Eagle and his warm thanks for the "Self-sacrificing faithfulness" with which he had served the country.

Von Hertling was born in August, 1843, in Darmstead.

THE INFLUENZA.

The Medical Officer of Health reports that influenza is dying out. There are only two cases in the Isolation hospital, and there are only six houses quarantined in the City, some of the occupants of which will be let out in a day or two. He has not heard of but one new case in his country district.

In Calgary it is also dying out, only a few new cases being reported.

TO MEN ON LEAVE.

Headquarters, Military District No. 13, Calgary, Alta, Jan. 4th 1919.

"All men on harvest leave, conditional leave of absence, or on leave pending C.L. of A., are requested to immediately forward their present address to the Officer Commanding, First Depot Battalion, in order that their discharge may be carried out on Form No. 218B.

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A JUDICIAL DEFINITION OF ALLEGIANCE

In the New York Outlook, of September 18th, 1918, the following account was published of the proceedings of the North Dakota Court, which so fully and accurately represents the conditions analagous to those in Canada, that we take the liberty of publishing it here, with the editor's explanation.

(The Rev. J. Fontana, pastor of the German Evangelical Church, New Salem, North Dakota, was recently tried at Bismarck, in that State. He was charged with having uttered from time to time seditious language for the purpose of interfering with the military authorities of the Government. The presiding judge was Charles F. Amidon, of the United States district court, District of North Dakota. The jury returned a verdict of guilty against Mr. Fontana on August 16th. United States Attorney Hildreth moved for sentence on August 19. In passing sentence, Judge Amidon said in part what follows.—The Editors.)

You received your final papers as a citizen in 1898. By the oath you then took you renounced and adjured all allegiance to Germany and to the Emperor of Germany, and swore that you would bear true faith and allegiance to the United States. What did that mean? That you would set about earnestly growing an American soul and put away your German soul. That is what your oath of allegiance meant. Have you done that? I do not think you have. You have cherished everything German, prayed German, read German, sung German. Every thought of your mind and every motion of your heart through all these years has been German. Your body has been in America, but your life has been in Germany. If you were set down in Prussia today, you would be in harmony with your environment. It would fit you just as a flower fits the leaf and stem of the plant on which it grows. You have influenced others who have been under your ministry to do the same thing. You said you would cease to cherish your German soul. That meant that you would begin the study of American life and history, that you would open your mind and heart to all the influences that you would try to understand its ideals and purposes and love them, that you would try to build up inside yourself a whole group of feelings for the United States the same as you felt towards the fatherland when you left Germany. There have been a good many Germans before me in the last month. It has been an impressive part of the trial. They have lived in this country, like yourself, ten, twenty, thirty, forty years; and they had to give their evidence through an interpreter. And as I looked at them and tried as best I could to understand them, there was written all over every one of them, "Made in Germany." American life had not dimmed that mark in the least. It stood there as bright and fresh as the inscription upon a new coin. I do not blame you and these men alone. I blame myself. I blame my country. We urged you to come. We welcomed you; we gave you opportunity; we gave you land; we conferred upon you the diadem of American citizenship—and then we left you. We paid no attention to what you were doing.

And now the world war has thrown a searchlight upon our national life, and what have we discovered? We find all over these United States, in groups, little Germanys, little Italys, little Austrias, little Norways, little Russias. These foreign people have thrown a circle around themselves, and, instead of keeping the oath they took that they would try to grow American souls inside of them, they have studiously striven to exclude everything American and to cherish everything foreign. A clever gentleman wrote a romance called, "America, the Melting Pot." It appealed to our vanity, and through all these years we have been seeing romance instead of fact. That is the awful truth. The figure of my country stands beside you today. It says to me: Do not blame this man alone, I am partly to blame. Punish him for his offence, but let him know that I see things in a new light, that a new era has come. Punish him to teach him, and the like of him, that a change has come; that there must be an interpretation anew of the oath of allegiance. It has been in the past nothing but a formula of words. From this time on it must be translated into living characters incarnate in the life of every foreigner who has his dwelling place in our midst. If they have been cherishing foreign history, foreign ideals, foreign loyalty, it must be stopped, and they must begin at once, all over again, to cherish American thought, American history, American ideals. That means something that is to be done in your daily life. It does not mean simply that you will not take up arms against the United States. It goes deeper far than that. It means that you will live for the United States and that you will cherish and grow American souls inside of you. It means that you will take down from the walls of your homes the picture of the Kaiser and put up the picture of Washington; that you will begin to sing American songs; that you will begin earnestly to study American history; that you will begin to open your lives through every avenue to the influence of American life. It means that you will begin first of all to learn English the language of this country, so that there may be a door into your souls through which American life may enter.

I am not so simple as to entertain the idea that racial habits and qualities can be put aside by the will in a day, in a year, in a generation; but because that is difficult is all the more reason why you should get about it and quit cherishing a foreign life. If half of the effort had been put forth in these foreign communities to build up an American life in the hearts of these foreign born citizens that has been put forth to perpetuate a foreign life, our situation would have been entirely different from what it is today. You have violated your oath in this; you have cherished foreign ideals and tried to make them everlasting. That is the basic wrong of these thousands of little islands of foreigners that have been formed through our whole limits, that, instead of trying to remove the foreign life out of their souls and to build up an American life in them, they have striven studiously from year to year to stifle American life and to make foreigners perpetual. That is disloyalty. And the object, one of the big objects of this serious proceeding in this court and other like proceedings in other courts, is to give notice that that must be stopped.

I have seen before my eyes another day of judgment. When we get through with this war, and civil liberty is made safe once more upon this earth, there is going to be a day of judgment in these United States. Foreign-born citizens and the institutions which have cherished forelgnness are going to be brought to the judgment bar of this Republic. That day of judgment looks more to me today like the great Day of Judgment than anything that I have thought of for many years. There is going to be a separation on that day of the sheep from the goats. Every institution that has been engaged in this business of making foreigners perpetual in the United States will have to change or cease That is going to cut deep, but it is coming.

I recognize the right of foreign-born citizens to hear their religion, if they cannot understand it in English, spoken to them in the tongue that they can understand. If they have not yet acquired enough English to read, they are entitled to have a paper that shall speak to them the language that they understand. I cannot go further than that. And this is the capital thing that is going to be settled on that day of judgment, namely, that the right to these things is only temporary, and it cannot be enjoyed by anybody who is not willing to regard it as temporary and to set about earnestly making the time of that enjoyment as short as possible That means a fundamental revision of these foreign churches. No freedom of the press will protect a perpetual foreign press in these United States. It won't protect any press or any church which, while it is trying to meet a temporary need, does not set itself earnestly about the business of making that temporary situation just as temporary as possible, and not making it, as has been true in the past, just as near perpetual as possible. Men who are not willing to do that will have to choose. If they prefer to cherish foreign ideals, they will have to go to their own. If it is necessary, we will cancel every certificate of citizenship in these United States. The Federal Government has power to deal with that subject and it is going to deal with it. Nothing else than that surely can be possible. And the object of the sentence which I pronounce upon you today is not alone to punish you for the disloyalty of which you have been guilty, but to serve notice upon you, and the like of you, and all of the groups of people in this district who have been cherishing foreignness, that the end of that regime has come. It is a call to every one of you to set about earnestly the growing of an American soul inside of you.

The Court finds and adjudges that you are guilty under each count of the indictment, and as a punishment therefor it is further adjudged that you be imprisoned in the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth for the term of three years. The sentences under the three counts of the indictment to run concurrently.

AMERICANS RETAKE KADISH AND AGAIN HAVE WINTER HOME

SINCE THEIR RETIREMENT FROM RUSSIAN STRONGHOLD THEY HAVE LIVED IN OPEN UNDER ARDUOUS CIRCUMSTANCES.

Archangel, January 1.—American troops yesterday recaptured the village of Kadish, on the middle sector of the northern Russian front, and today pushed forward their lines a distance of two miles south of the village in the direction of Vologda. This winter push, which was against strong resistance, was undertaken simultaneously with the movement southward by the allied troops along the Onega river. The Onega column rested today at the village of Gogoli.

CANADIAN GUNS USED.

The Americans crossed the stream and cleared the Bolsheviki trenches and machine gun emplacements on the opposite bank. They then pushed forward two miles to the village, fighting their way, under the protection of Canadian artillery, which was able to place shells at will in Kadish.

The recapture of Kadish gives the allied troops a good winter position in the blockhouses they have built. Since the retirement from the town early in November, the troops on this sector had had virtually no shelter, the front line being unable to build fires for fear of the artillery and snipers on the opposite bank of the narrow Emtsa river.

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FITTING COWS FOR LACTATION

(Experimental Farms Note)

All mammals, when in proper environment and under normal conditions, naturally take on flesh during pregnancy, the reserve being used in milk production when the young is born. As we expect a dairy cow to give much more milk than her calf requires, it is only reasonable that she should be in extra good condition of flesh at calving time. A further consideration is the procuring of strong, well-nourished calves which cannot be expected from poorly nourished cows. Grain feed during the dry period has been found to give greater returns than the same amount of grain feed after calving, these returns being in the form of a more vigorous calf and increased milk production. To have the cows in proper condition of flesh, one of the first requisites is to give them sufficient rest between lactation periods. The cow that is milked up to within two or three weeks of calving may pile up quite a record for that year but she will surely fall off in the next lactation period. Each cow should have from six to eight weeks of a rest period.

The feeding of the cow during this period will depend upon her condition when dried off. If she is in good condition of flesh, then very little more than a maintenance ration is necessary, but the feeder should watch that she does not lose her thrifty condition. If she has become thin and run down, then a liberal ration should be allowed. The character of the ration need not differ materially from that fed to the milch cows. Pasture, supplemented by silage or soiling crops in summer and roots or silage and legume hay in winter should be sufficient for the cow in good condition. Those in poorer condition should receive grain in addition up to six or seven pounds per day if necessary. It is important at all times that dairy cows receive a laxative ration, but particularly so just at calving time. To this end, the grain ration should consist of such laxative feeds as wheat bran and oilcake, together with either ground oats, barley or corn, preferably the former, in equal parts. For every 100 pounds of the above grain mixture there should be added 1 pound each of ground rock phosphate, charcoal and common salt. The salt is a necessity in the ration, while the other ingredients act as a tonic. Cows not receiving the grain should be fed some of this tonic mixture separately, or the last day or two before calving the regular ration should be replaced by bran alone which should be fed up to calving time and for a few days afterwards.

To ensure the best results from the above method of fitting the cow for her lactation period she should be allowed plenty of exercise. Running with the milch cows in summer and being turned out in the barnyard for an hour or two daily in winter will meet requirements in this regard. This exercise will be found to do away with many of the calving and udder troubles experienced with cows highly fed on heat producing foods just previous to calving.

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Dec. 30, 1918.

Christmas has come and gone, and everyone is rejoicing over the pleasant weather.

On Friday evening, December 27th, a number of friends gathered at "Crumlyn," the home of Capt. and Mrs. Warke, in honor of the homecoming of the Doctor from England, Lieut. Will Warke, from Toronto, and Miss Moyra from Edmonton. A very enjoyable evening was spent in music, games and dancing. After refreshments were served, Mrs. M. Walton proved equal to the occasion by rendering several selections in excellent voice. The party was closed with a speech by the Rev. Currie, of Pine Lake. Everyone went home having thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Among the Xmas visitors were, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cuddy and family with their parents at Edwell; Mr. B. Turner and C. Coltson at E. Thomas' and Mr. Oliver Orr at J. Webster's.

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SPANISH OPINION OF THE 'FLU.

A Salamanca physician, Dr. Maldonado, has after several weeks' research, succeeded in isolating what he believes to be the specific microbe of the so-called Spanish influenza, which continues to spread through the country with devastating results.

Contrary to the usual belief, this germ is not the Pfeiffer bacillus, but one approximating in character to that of the bubonic plague. If this theory which has been extensively examined by the epidemiological section of the National Institute of Hygiene, is confirmed, it would explain the extremely severe, and, in many cases, rapid fatal symptoms of the epidemic. The morphology and coloration of the cultures of the new baccillus are almost identical with that of the bubonic plague, but its difference is proved, according to Dr Maldonado's theory, by its failure in pathogenic action on animals of known susceptibility to the bubonic plague.

Other authorities here incline to the opinion that there are two epidemics—one of ordinary influenza and the other this, far more serious disease which has the symptoms of septic pneumonia, and frequently proves fatal in twelve hours.

Demobilization of Troops

THE demobilization of the Canadian Expeditionary Force is perhaps the most important problem now confronting the Dominion Government, and the transportation of the troops from the port of landing to their home destination is a work which will require skilful handling. On reaching Canadian soil, after their hard fought battles in foreign countries, the veterans will deserve all the consideration that can be given to them.

It was therefore a wise decision on the part of the Dominion Government when they decided that the Canadian Railway War Board should appoint a committee that will make all the arrangements necessary for the transportation of the soldiers through Canada.



Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Maughan.

The War Board so constituted the committee that it is representative of the three principal Canadian railways. Ever since the beginning of the war officials of the Canadian Pacific Railway have been conspicuous as leaders in the country's patriotic efforts, and now Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Maughan, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the C. P. R., has been chosen as chairman of the committee that is to undertake the responsibility for the train transportation of the soldiers to their places of abode in Canada. Lieutenant-Colonel Maughan's long experience and his thorough knowledge of railroad affairs make him thoroughly qualified to fill the position for which he has been selected.

In March, 1892, at the age of sixteen years, Walter Maughan joined the staff of the Canadian Pacific Railway as a clerk in the Toronto offices. In September of the same year he was transferred to Hamilton to act in a similar capacity. In 1895 he was again brought back to the Toronto offices, and in March, 1897, he became city passenger agent in the Queen City. On November 1st, 1913, he became assistant district passenger agent in Toronto. One month later he was promoted to become assistant general passenger agent in Montreal.

Lieutenant-Colonel Maughan is representing the C. P. R. on the newly formed committee. Mr. H. H. Melanson will represent the Canadian Government Railways, and Mr. C. W. Johnston the Grand Trunk Railway.

By a co-ordination of effort it is believed that the representatives of the three big Canadian railways can so regulate railway transportation arrangements as to insure the safe and comfortable return of the Canadian soldier men to their homes. The headquarters of the committee will be in Ottawa, where the committee will be in direct touch with the Canadian Government.

A preliminary meeting of the committee was recently held in Montreal, when the Minister of Militia was represented by Colonel E. S. Clarke, Director General of Supplies and Transportation. The problem of transportation was discussed in all its phases, and the committee will leave nothing undone to ensure safe transit, and feeding facilities of the highest character for the Canadian soldier men who so bravely answered to the call of duty when the country was in danger.

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TAX ENFORCEMENT.

J. E. Welton writes the Advocate that The News is unfair in its remarks regarding sueing ratepayers for taxes. Mr. Welton seems quite sure of his ground. He, of course, is entitled to his opinions. But he only wrote for the purpose of introducing his own pet idea of tax enforcement. This he contends would solve all Red Deer's difficulties. As a matter of fact it would only allow the city to grab up a citizen's land quicker, and we are now, the Lord only knows, overloaded with that commodity. What the city wants is cash to meet its obligations, and it cannot get it by taking old time citizens, who have put their last dollar in the city treasury, and who stood loyally by the Municipality in the past, by the throat, and demand what they haven't got, and because they haven't got it to throw their crumpled body on the discard and take their property, which they have worked a lifetime for. That's tax enforcement. There are old and tried citizens of this city who will be ruined if they are compelled to pay their taxes now. It is the duty of the city to help them out if possible. Mr. Welton thinks we are unfair in our position regarding sueing for taxes: we think he is foolish in recommending tax enforcement, as they have it in North Red Deer.

ONE YEAR OF COALITION.

Sir Thomas White's statement of the record of the Union Government after one year of office is neither grandiloquent nor exaggerated, says the Manitoba Free Press. It is, naturally enough, an ex parte statement. Critics will find plenty of texts for reflection upon the advisability or efficacy of many of the expediencies of war time. But no fair minded elector will be able to say that the Government has failed to carry out substantially any of the essential purposes for which it was elected. Still less can anyone point to an alternative administration which would have succeeded in doing so much as the Union ministry has accomplished.

The real test of the success of the Government is to be found in the maintenance of the fighting forces of this country in an effective condition and at full numerical strength. The enforcement of the Military Service Act after it had been abundantly shown that no party government could hope to satisfy the requirements of the case has been achieved with a greater measure of justice than might have been thought possible in view of the peculiar circumstances which existed a year ago. For those circumstances the responsibility has been fixed; the people of Canada many not always resent as keenly as they did last year the recalcitrant attitude of some leaders and some politicians of both parties who placed the fortunes of themselves and their parties above the national considerations which necessitated Union. But they will stop short of entrusting the Government of this country in the future to those who failed to measure up to the requirements of a situation which threatened it with disgrace in the eyes of its Allies.

In many respects critics may fairly be made of particular acts and policies of the Union Government in its year of office. But perfection was unattainable by a government necessarily committed to the course of compromise, of making the best of a bad job, and of extracting from conditions which were desperate some measure of order and achievement. Bearing this fact in mind it would be both ungracious and ungenerous to deny to the Government credit for a measure of success far in excess of moderate expectation.

Whatever degree of irritation may have been experienced by the varied interests which have been affected by the necessary,though sometimes tactless, interference of the Government under the spur of the war conditions, the people as a whole will recognize facts as emergent: that any alternative government to that which has represented the majority of Canadians during the past year must have failed to carry out the Dominion's pledges either because of its partisanship or its lack of appreciation of the duty imposed on this country as one of the Allies; and that up to this moment no dependable alternative has been developed.

UNREPENTANT GERMANY.

The London Times says: "The majority of articulate Germans altogether refuse to confess that Germany had been guilty of any particular crime, either in provoking the war or in her conduct of it. They deny that she has been defeated and represent her as the innocent victim of unheard of prosecution since the conclusion of the armistice. The mass of the German people were in fact accomplices in the crimes of militarism. They were its accomplices because they approved its ends and had no remorse as to the use of its most inhuman means. They hounded on the former Emperor, his generals and statesmen until defeat fell upon them. They would do better to confess the truth. They merely add to their turpitude in the eyes of the democracies by trying to shelter themselves under the shameful plea that the great German people did not know the crimes of the rulers, or, knowing these crimes, were too craven not to applaud them."

GERMANS DELIBERATELY ENCOURAGE BOLSHEVIKI.

Warsaw, Jan. 3.—The fate of the province of Vilna is trembling in the balance. Bolsheviki agents are spreading their propaganda throughout the province, the northeastern part of which is under soviet rule. Bands of robbers and tramps, advance guards of the Bolsheviki regular troops and refugees are coming into Vilna.

The Germans apparently are making no effort to restore order in the city, although they have 5,000 troops there.

A Polish committee called upon Col. Werner, in command of the Germans, and requested arms for Poles and others, so that they might defend the city against the Bolsheviki. Col. Werner replied:

"Berlin has given us orders to the contrary. We wouldn't be a monkey to draw the chestnuts out of the fire for the English. I am sorry for your wives, daughters, and children, but this country must be destroyed."

The Poles have organized the young men for the defense of the city. The correspondent has seen a copy of the letters which have passed between the Polish committees and the Germans, regarding the defense of Vilna. The Germans declare that they intend to turn over the city to the soviets and also refuse to permit the Poles to receive arms.

Conferences have been carried on between Capt. Bobiabnsky, of the Polish army, and the German delegate, Major Von Schoeder and two other delegates, representing the soldiers, all from the Tenth army under von Falkenhayn.

PROFITEERING DONE IN ORANGES.

Ottawa, Jan. 3.—The cost of living branch recently made an investigation into the orange market and reports that the chief cause for high prices having been removed, prices during the succeeding months should be decidedly lower. During October and November, the price of the better grades in United States market whereby cost to Canadian buyer is governed, were abnormally high, and conditions very unsettled, with limited quantities offering. As a result the smaller members of the trade hesitated to handle oranges and competition to a large extent was reduced, thus enhancing the profits to a few handlers. The profits were, though, not so great that it would warrant a federal investigation in this particular fruit.

BORDEN TO BE AT PEACE CONGRESS

COMPOSITION OF BRITISH PEACE DELEGATION NOT YET DECIDED ON.

London, Jan. 3.—The Evening News declares Premier Louis Botha of South Africa, Premier Borden of Canada, and Premier Hughes of Australia, will represent the overseas dominions of Great Britain at the main peace conference.

NOT YET DECIDED.

Announcement regarding British delegates to the peace conference and officials who would advise them, which have appeared in some newspapers as being of an official source, are unauthorized and inaccurate. The prime minister and the imperial war cabinet, the Associated Press learn, have not yet decided on the complexion of the peace delegation.

Until this is settled and the delegates have met, no announcement as to the officials who will advise them can be made.

The published list of officials is inaccurate and omits the names of some men to whom the war cabinet has entrusted the study and preparation of some of the most important questions for the consideration of the peace conference.

ALBERTA NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Society was held in the City Library, Red Deer, Friday, 27th December.

At the afternoon session the usual business was transacted, including the reading and passing upon of the report and financial statement of the Secretary-Treasurer, and the election of officers for the ensuing year, viz.:

Hon. President, Hon. D. Marshall.
Hon. Vice-President, Mr. J. J. Gaetz, M.P.P.
2nd Hon. Vice-President, Mr. H. A. Craig.
President, Mr. F. C. Whitehouse.
Vice-President, Mrs. W. A. Cassels.
2nd Vice-President, Dr. H. George.
Directors, Mrs. George, Mrs. Pamely, Mrs. Root, Miss Cole, Miss Goudie, Mr. E. Wilton; Edmonton—Messrs. K. Bowman, F. S. Carr, D. Mackie.

At the evening session the following papers were read:

The Executive Report: Mrs. Cassels.

Annual Entomological Report, dealing with insect pests, etc.: Mr. Whitehouse.

Alberta Mammals of the Carnivorous Group: Dr. George.

Dr. George's Paper was fully illustrated by specimens from his fine collection and was most interesting.

Faunal Zones: Mr. Whitehouse.

Insects and other specimens, representative of the different Alberta zones, were shown, with maps, defining the various areas of life.

In spite or two or three counter attractions on the night in question, there was a fairly good attendance, and appreciation of the entertainment by the Society's guests was freely expressed. The evening concluded with a vote of thanks to the Society, moved by Mr. J. J. Gaetz.

Red Deer, as headquarters of the Provincial Natural History Society, enjoys educational facilities along natural science lines that few places possess in the prairie provinces, a fact, however, that is far from being fully appreciated.

RELIEF WORK NOT URGENT IN GERMANY

IN PROVINCES VISITED PEOPLE ARE BEING FED CLOSE TO NORMAL REQUIREMENTS

London, Jan. 3.—A long article written by a member of the Allied naval commission in German waters on the subject of food conditions in North Germany is published by the Times today. The writer is careful to point out that he deals only with what various members of the commission saw with their own eyes, and that he ignores hearsay evidence regarding other parts of Germany.

"There is certainly no need for haste on the part of the Allies in going to their relief. I am confident that none of the score or more members of the various sub-commissions who covered many hundred miles of country and saw tens of thousands of the people at close range reported having noticed any evidence of palpable under feeding among any of the inhabitants. Indeed, they are of the unanimous opinion that the whole population, both urban and rural, in the regions visited have been and are being fed near enough to normal requirements to keep them all fully healthful."

"The men in the dockyards and on the first ships searched at Wilhelmshaven, although filthy, betrayed none of the traces of underfeeding, so readily recognized by one who has been in India or China in famine time or in Siberia or Greece since the war. This partly prepared us for the well nourished look of the people of the town itself. In no place of the same character in England, say Portsmouth, Plymouth or Harwich, would the people have been in better flesh or better color.

"As to clothes, the Germans would certainly have had the best of the comparison.

After describing the evidence of good cultivation of the land seen by various members of the commission on their journeys of from 50 to 100 miles, the writer says:

"The results of the really bountiful harvest were to be seen in the building barns and sheds, the swollen hay stacks, and the fodder piles. The reports that there had been an over supply of vegetables was due to the careless way in which such things as cabbage and Swedish beets were being handled in transport. A starving people does not permit food of this kind to rot along the roads or in yards.

NEW ALTITUDE RECORD MADE BY U.S. AIRMAN.

London, Jan. 3.—Flying a British airplane at Ipswich on Thursday, Capt. Lang, an American, established a new altitude record, reaching a height of 30,500 feet. Observer Blowers, who accompanied Captain Lang, collapsed when his oxygen bottle broke, but recovered. Both men were frost-bitten during their flight.

Heinrich Oelerich, a German, held the altitude record that was broken by Capt. Lang. On July 14, 1914, Oelerich reached a height of 26,246 feet. The next highest flight on record was that of H. C. Hawker, an English aviator, who reached the altitude of 25,622 feet on April 26th, 1916.

RED DEER U. F. A.

A meeting of Red Deer Local U.F.A. was held in the City Hall on Saturday afternoon, attended by about fifteen members.

The financial report showed a balance of $15.20.

The following officers were elected for 1919:

President—D. W. McKinnon
Vice-Presdent—D. Bower
Secretary-Treasurer—W. R. Ellenwood.

Delegates to convention at Edmonton—J. L. McKinnon, C. L. Smith, with John E. Anderson and John White as alternatives.

A committee consisting of J. Anderson, H. F. Kenny and H. Wallace was chosen to canvass the farmers for new members. The officers hope that the farmers will receive this committee kindly and show their interest in the organization in a practical way.

Meeting, adjourned to meet on Jan. 18, 1919.

W. R. ELLENWOOD,
Secretary.

MARRIED

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Speck, in the Ridgewood district, on Tuesday, Dec. 31, by the Rev. W. G. Brown, Miss Carrie Louise Speck to Mr. Thomas Martin, son of the late Mr. Angus Martin and Mrs. Martin, of Ridgewood.

MR. LUND WILL BUILD A NEW GARAGE

Mr. Fred Lund, of the Ford Garage, has purchased the three-lots opposite the Advocate office on First St. South with the brick building thereon from the Gaetz-Cornett Co.

Mr. Lund intends to pull down the present building and erect in the spring a commodious and substantial brick garage, 125 feet, the full depth of the lots, by 60 feet. This will give him a splendid garage for the Ford cars and Ford tractors, as well as the frontage for accessories, office, etc. He will have 15 feet also next to the building for an implement shed. Mr. Lund has arranged already for the brick for his new building.

INFRACTIONS OF THE LAW

Wong Song Kai, a Chinaman who was in the laundry business with the late Quon Dum on Gaetz Ave. South, is alleged to have cleared out with $200 which was given him in trust by Mah Hick for a definite purpose which he did not carry out, and with thirty-five tablecloths, etc., belonging to the Commercial Cafe.

Some wayward youths who have been giving the Indian Industrial School staff a good deal of trouble attempted to get away with clothing and shoes from the Red Deer Trading Co. on Saturday night, but Manager Sheline had his suspicions and nabbed them. As the policeman was conveying them to jail, one of them got away and has not been recaptured.

Constable McDonald, of Nordegg, brought in Tony Ambosia on Tuesday. He is charged with an offence against a woman in the Crowsnest mining district.

Constable Robertson is away to Regina to bring back a prisoner, charged with false pretences at Monitor.

Before Mr. Joseph Wallace, J.P., at Red Deer on Thursday, Mr. J. M. Fuller of Leslieville, charged Mr. R. O. Wright, of the same place, with assault. Mr. Wright laid a similar charge against Mr. Fuller. The magistrate fined them both $5 and costs. The cases arose out of an encounter between the two men in McKinnon Bros. store, Leslieville, on August 26. Mr. Russell for Mr. Fuller, Mr. Payne for Mr. Wright.

Mrs. Fuller laid a charge against Mr. Wright of indecent assault on August 16. After hearing her evidence the Magistrate committed Mr. Wright for trial, and would accept bail in $2,000 from himself and two sureties of $1,000 each. Mrs. Fuller deposed to Mr. Wright seizing her and kissing her, and making an improper proposal to her.

STAR LAUNDRY.

Mah Quoy and Mah Chong having leased the laundry one door south of the Post Office, and having thoroughly cleaned and renovated the building and premises, ask for a share of public patronage. They came from Calgary, where they have had the greatest experience in all kinds of fine work. A trial solicited. Prices reasonable and satisfaction guaranteed. P.O. Box. 679. Jan. 8-4

CASH AUCTION SALES

SALES BY A. ROGERS, AUCT.

Cash Auction Sale

Valley Lumber Co. Mill, Leslieville Lumber and Buildings, Wagon, Harness, Stoves, Blacksmith's Outfit, Etc.

Thursday, January 9th, 1919
At one o'clock

Cash Auction Sale

At the farm of Mr. Frank Prouse, 8 miles north and 2 miles east of Leslieville, one mile from Leafland P.O., on

Friday, January 19th, 1919
At one o'clock. Lunch at Noon
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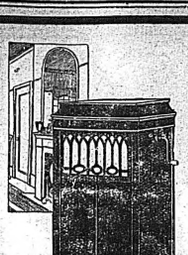
"SOLDIERS FIRST" IS C. P. R. SLOGAN

Troop trains with returning soldiers are to be given preference over all other trains, including regular passenger trains on the C. P. R., in so far as is consistent with safety, according to a circular just issued by Vice-President A. D. MacTier. This was the rule on the C. P. R. when our soldiers were hurrying to the front, and it is to be the rule now that they are returning to their homes. "What is particularly desired," says the circular, "is that all officers and employees concerned shall, in so far as possible, place themselves in the position of the father, mother, wife, sister, or other relative of the returning soldier, and deal with them as they would wish to be dealt with under similar conditions.

"All this being accomplished, it will add substantially to the welcome the company desires to give to returned soldiers, as well as to the comfort and convenience of relatives and friends who desire to welcome them."

In order that relatives and friends desiring to meet troop trains should have information as to the hour of arrival very particular instructions are given. "Station staffs," says the circular, "at destination points should be fully and promptly advised of the expected time of arrival of troop trains, with all particulars available as to the names of steamships from which the passengers come, and any other known details. This information should be promptly and regularly posted on station bulletin boards and corrected from time to time as may be necessary. Operators should keep in close touch with the movement of the trains so that the information posted may be up to the minute. Train enquiry clerks should be at all times fully informed in connection with the trains and their movement, and they, as well as other station staff concerned, will be expected to deal courteously and patiently with all enquirers, giving them correctly and clearly the fullest information possible in response to their enquiries.

In the operation of C. P. R. trains, the troop train is to be considered first. In the event of a troop train locomotive breakdown on the road, the locomotive which can be made most quickly available, even if taken from a regular passenger train, is to be used to handle the troop train, so that it will incur the least possible delay.



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EMPRESS'S WAR RECORD



(1) Captain Geo. S. Webster, R.N.R., of the "Empress of Britain.
(2) Arthur E. Philp, Chief Engineer of the "Empress of Britain."
(3) Six inch gun crew standing by the gun on the "Empress of Britain," at right Chief Officer F. H. Moore, who gave the gunners the range.

THE "Empress of Britain," which sailed from New York on Sunday afternoon with 150 officials of the British War Mission, Y.M.C.A. and Knights of Columbus workers, has already covered 173,130 miles since the outbreak of hostilities, when she was taken over by the British Government and has transported 110,000 troops overseas. She took thousands of Australians and Britishers to Gallipoli, and was one of the transports assigned to take them away. The Suez Canal being closed, she made a 16 months trip around the Cape of Good Hope with troops for German East Africa and also for Mesopotamia. She made eight trips with Canadian troops and for the first seven months of the war, patrolled the South Atlantic as an admiralty cruiser.

It was during one of the trips across the Atlantic with 5,000 troops aboard, that a German submarine launched two torpedoes, one of which, due to a lucky zig-zag, missed the bow by three feet, and the other passed a dozen feet astern. At least a dozen attacks were made upon the "Empress of Britain" during the war, by U-boats.

Captain George S. Webster, R.N.R., who is the present commander of the "Empress of Britain," has made 37 trips across the Atlantic since the outbreak of the war. When the "Empress of Britain" reached New York last Tuesday, she had aboard 2,450 U. S. troops, including 400 sick and wounded heroes, and she is returning to Liverpool for more. When the work of repatriating U. S. troops is finished, she will return to her home port, St. John, New Brunswick.

During the war, the C. P. O. S. ships have transported over a million troops and passengers on war business. Only eight soldiers were lost by enemy action. The "Empress of Russia," now in Liverpool, will take troops to Australia, and then return to her regular route across the Pacific from Vancouver to ports in the far east The "Empress of Asia" will go back to Vancouver through the Panama Canal with Canadian troops enlisted in British Columbia.

Arthur Edward Philp, O.B.E., Chief Engineer of the "Empress of Britain" and Senior Chief Engineer of the Canadian Pacific Ocean Service, Ltd., has been on the Empress throughout the war and has never missed a trip. He was personally decorated by King George for his services and is an Officer of the Order of the British Empire. His services on transports cover four wars, the Benin and Ashand expedition, the South African war, and the present war. His fellow officers call him "Pa."

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Standard, Fine or Coarse
Cream of Wheat, 10lb 90c
Bayo Beans, 8 lbs for $1.00
Salt, Coarse, 50lb $1.10
Salt, Coarse, barrels $5.25
Salt, Blocks, 50lbs $1.10
Coffee, in bulk, the kind everybody likes 45c
Tea, bulk 60c, 65c, 90c
Blue Ribbon, package 60c
Rogers' Golden Syrup, 5lb. tin 65c
Rogers' Golden Syrup, 10lb tin $1.25
Rogers' Golden Syrup, 20lb tin $2.45
Pumpkin, ... 2 for 35c
Tomato Catsup per tin, 20c
Pork and Beans, Clark's, 2s 25c
Do. Do. 1s 15c
Pork and Beans, Heinz, 2s 30c
Do. D. 1s 20c
Salmon, Finest Sockeye, ... tin, 45c
Salmon, good red tin, 40c
Salmon, pink tin, 30c
Sardines 10c and 20c per tin
2s, tin 30c
Pineapple, sliced, Sunkist or Libby's
Pinapple Sliced, 1s 20c
Apricots, Pears, Peaches, Cherries 20c
Bovril, 8 oz. bottles $1.55
4 oz. bottles 85c
2 oz. bottles 50c
OXO cubes in tins 10c and 25c per tin
Dill Pickles, in tins, ... 30c
Dill Pickles, quart jars 50c
Dill Pickles, gallon jars $1.50
Sweet Pickles, quarts 55c
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Sour Pickles, gallons $1.50
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Sardines in Mustard Sauce, ... each 15c
Blue Ribbon Tea, lb 60c
Sheriff's Orange Marmalade, 7lb tin $1.25
Do. Do. Do. 4lb tin 85c
Pure Fruit Jams, 4 lb tins $1.05
Berry's Pure Maple Syrup, gallon tin $3.15
Do. Do. half-gallon $1.65
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Case $3.75
Corn, 2lb King's Choice 4 cans for 85c
Case $5.10
Beans, 2lb Hygean 4 cans for 85c
Case $5.10
Gem Lye 3 tins for 35c
Blue Ribbon Baking Powder, 5 lbs $1.10
Do. Do. 3 lbs 70c
Do. Do. 1lb 25c
Lipton's Pure Cocoa, 1-5th lb 2 for 25c
Robin Hood Flour and Purity Flour $5.50

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ALLIED CONFERENCE DELAYED ONE WEEK

OPENING SESSION POSTPONED UNTIL JANUARY 13, BUT MEANWHILE PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION WILL BE HELD.

PREMIER BORDEN IS REPRESENTING CANADA.

London, Jan. 2.—The conference of representatives of the allied nations, which was to begin in Paris on Jan. 6, has been postponed for one week, owing to the development of the cabinet crisis in Italy. It is now expected to meet on Jan. 13, and arrangements to that end are now being completed.

The character and scope of this conference is not likely to be defined until it is actually meeting. There is a view that it should be a formal gathering with a definite agenda to be considered, and offering a public report of conclusions to be reached, and an alternative proposal is that this conference should be completely informal and given up to the freest possible consideration of all questions of peace as they affect the attitude which the allied nations will take at the peace conference.

READJUSTING DIFFERENCES

The probabilities are that the latter course will be followed as lending itself more readily to the purposes in view; the adjustment of all differences between the allies so that they can go into the peace congress with an agreed program. There is no difficulty about the representation at this conference, as all the allied countries will have ample opportunity of presenting their views by their representatives.

The British delegation will be headed by David Lloyd George, Andrew Bonar Law and Arthur J. Balfour, but there will be attached an extensive retinue of officials from the foreign office and from the various services.

BORDEN AT PRELIMINARIES.

The Canadian mission will proceed to Paris in time for this conference, and the prime minister, Sir Robert Borden, will represent Canada in these preliminaries and important discussions.

The date for the official peace congress has not yet been fixed. It can be called in short order, as the delegates who are to attend it are now in Paris or on their way there.

BERLIN CITY ESCAPED BOMBING BY THREE DAYS.

General Trenchard Describes How Big Machines Were All Ready.

London, Jan. 3.—General Trenchard, in his report on the work of the independent air forces, makes an interesting revelation how Berlin narrowly escaped being bombed by a squadron under the famous Canadian airman, Commander H. R. Mulock, of Winnipeg.

"The 27th group was established in England," says General Trenchard, under the command of Commander Mulock, for the purpose of bombing Berlin and other centres. This group only received machines capable of carrying out this work at the end of October, and though all ranks worked night and day to get the machines ready for attacking Berlin they only completed the work three days before the signing of the armistice."

Commander Mulock received the D.S.O in 1916, the Chevalier of the Legion of Honour in 1918, and was twice mentioned in dispatches. He married a Birmingham lady last month.

MANY BRITISH PRISONERS GIVEN UP AS DEAD WILL RETURN

London, Jan. 3.—There are 15,000 more British prisoners in Germany than the British records show, so that a number of men previously given up as dead or missing, will return to their homes, it was stated here today. The British had contemplated getting the last 28,000 prisoners out of Germany within a fortnight, but the German records show that the remaining prisoners in German hands number 35,000 men, of the Germans to report their capture and the men's failure to communicate with friends, had been listed as dead.

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TIT-BITS.

Every human being whom we approach should be better for us.

The "Old Doctrines" saved men and women; what have the "New" done?

It never rains roses; when we want more roses we must plant more bushes.—George Eliot.

"What must I do to be saved?" "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."

Life appears to me too short to be spent in nursing animosity or registering wrong.—Charlotte Bronte.

Satan gives long credit, but no discount. There are no bargain counters in the markets of sin.

Our soldiers fought to save the empire; we at home should show that the country was worth saving.

The wealth of a man is the number of things he loves and blesses, which he is loved and blessed by.—Carlyle.

Every word and every deed is a memory laid up in store. What kind of memories are we storing up for the future?

Assimilation of the aliens within our gates is not a bit of welfare work; it is a national necessity. The alien who cannot be Canadianized is a menace.

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THE NEWS' WEEKLY SERMON

By the REV. G. D. ARMSTRONG.

"I am among you as he that serveth."—Luke 22, 27.

Strife had arisen among the disciples, as to whom should be given the chief place in the kingdom which they thought Jesus was about to establish. This division, while perfectly natural, indicated that as yet they had hardly begun to understand His teaching, or to appreciate the spirit of His mission. They did not realize the possibilities for evil in their own lives, nor the radical change which the religion of Jesus would make in commonly accepted ideas and ways of living.

If Jesus was led to ask these men "Have I been so long a time with you, and yet hast thou not known me?" what must be His thought when after nineteen centuries, His teaching and example have been so little understood that the nations which have confessed Him in words, denied Him in deeds. The timely words of President Wilson in reply to the toast given him at a recent banquet that we should earnestly consider whether we truly understand the meaning of the terms which we have been using so frequently in the council of the nations—"freedom" and "right," should lead us also to ask ourselves very earnestly, "Do we even yet perceive the teaching of the Master, and are we truly His disciples?"

The criticism which was aroused by some of the recent utterances of the general conference of the Methodist Church on the question of social readjustment which confronts us indicates that even yet there are very decided differences of opinion as to the application of Christ's teaching to the actual conditions which obtain in man's relationship to his fellow man.

The struggle for temporal power on the part of the Christian Church, was a result of the failure of His followers to really follow the principles of His teaching. Fortunately for the Church itself, this attempt to obtain earthly greatness ended in failure. May not the struggle through which the Church is passing today indicate that as yet we have not succeeded in rightly presenting the Christ who is to be.

The remarkable interest taken in great evangelistic movements in the last half century and the rather disheartening results which have followed these movements indicates how real the need is that religion should be rightly presented to the mind of man as also the fact that no religious system has as yet succeeded in expressing the truth concerning the Desire of all nations.

One of the most interesting pastimes of modern times is to criticize the Church for its shortcomings. This criticism too often is of a purely negative character, and sometimes is lacking in sincerity. It might be more profitable to direct our shafts against other institutions which are far behind the Church in manifesting the spirit of helpfulness to mankind.

In the political sphere there is very much to convince us that the spirit of partyism is very much alive, and one is an optimist indeed who thinks that party zeal is a passionate desire to serve above everything else the interests of the nation.

In the industrial world, the class spirit is fostered, and while there are hopeful signs of a growing spirit of co-operation between capital and labor, the desire for supremacy is strong in both camps.

The spirit of competition obtains very largely in commercial life, and there is no doubt that the idea of service to the community is secondary to the ruling consideration of profit.

In the matter of public entertainment it is a lamentable fact that the question of the gate receipts is the determining factor amongst those who cater to the public and that the community itself is not greatly concerned in the effort to provide healthy forms of recreation to its citizens.

As regards public health, we have at least made a start in organizing a department to deal with matters affecting the vital welfare of the province. As yet, however, no very satisfactory progress has been made.

It seems like a Utopian dream to fancy that there will come a day, when in the revolution of human society, the ideal of the medical profession will be as frankly philanthropic as that of the ministry. At the present time the science of healing is a monopoly of privilege corresponding with that enjoyed by (but so objectionable in) the church of the middle ages.

It has sometimes been said that while the public has shown a waning interest in religious organizations, there has been a growing devotion to Christ Himself. Naturally, we should like to think that this is true, but we must bring our personal devotion to His ideals to a rigid test. Are we willing to accept the principle of service as the law of our lives? Have we the strength of character the moral courage, the keenness of insight and the breadth of outlook, the untiring energy and unfailing zeal, the greatness of soul which will render our moral conduct, not the tribute of weak craven sentimentality, but the contribution of strong, vigorous Divine manhood to the uplift of mankind?

PETROGRAD ON VERGE OF REVOLT, SAYS DANE.

London, Jan. 2.—Dissatisfaction and desperation in Petrograd caused by the almost complete disappearance of the necessaries of life and the system of government in effect under Bolsheviki rule, are so widespread that the population is on a verge of an outbreak, according to a Danish business man who has lived in Russia for many years.

"Conditions in Petrograd are exceedingly depressing," he says. "Except for the Red Guard and its agents the whole population is in direst need. Petrograd is face to face with complete starvation."



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She clings, not from subservience, but from a loyalty as intense as sex itself.

She is free. No man owns her soul or body. She gives as sovereign queens give. She cannot barter as commoner women barter, she cannot obey as slaves obey, she cannot yield as cowards yield.

She is void of egotism; she is full of self reverence.

She is happy in girlhood, contented in wifehood, glorified in motherhood.

She is proud to be a woman. She does not want to be a man.

She has wisdom. In every crisis her husband is guided by her instinct.

She has character. She secretly moulds the natures of her children. She is the power behind each one of them.

She is the flowering rose bush in times of pleasure. She is a high tower in times of trouble.

Her eyes are full of understanding. She knows the feeling back of your words.

Her smile is as the reward of heaven. It is worth more than gold.

She is intelligent as no man is intelligent.

She is brave as no man is brave.

Her vision has that clairvoyance that is bestowed upon no man.

She is variable as water, but as the water of the unfailing spring, or the eternal ocean, changing forever, forever fixed.

She is the best inheritance from the world that was. She is the matrix of the world to come.

In proportion as men look up to her they grow unafraid and wise. When they look down on her, as they treat her with contempt or indifference, they become weak and cruel.

She is not the champion of religious doctrine; she is the incarnation of the religious instinct.

She is the ladder by the brook where man dreams; she reaches to heaven; upon the rungs of her soul angels ascend and descend.

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LAKE OF SALT.

In South Australia there is a wonderful lake of pure salt. It is a huge depression in the earth which fills up in the winter months. In the summer the water quickly evaporates leaving a thick deposit of pure salt. Seen from a distance the surface of the lake has all the appearance of being covered with a sheet of ice.

The salt is so thick and strong that men and even carts and ploughs can traverse it with perfect safety. Yet below the crust there is a considerable body of sluggish water.

After the rays of the summer sun have played their part, the salt is gathered. This is a simple operation, the salt being raked into heaps making pyramids that are a striking feature of the landscape. The salt is then shovelled into cars and conveyed to various works to undergo the process of refining.

Gathering the salt is trying work, on account of the great heat and the dazzling reflection, and it is often necessary for the workers to wear colored glasses to protect their eyes.

After the loose salt has been collected from the surface a plough is run over it, when another harvest of the valuable material can be reaped.

The yield of salt from this strange lake amounts to several thousands of tons per year, and it is amongst the finest obtainable. The lake is several square miles in area and is naturally a very valuable property.

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HUMOR IS A GREAT TONIC.

Keep in a good humor. It is not great calamities that embitter existence; it is the petty vexations, the small jealousies, the little disappointments, the minor miseries, that make the heart heavy and the temper sour. Do not let them.

Anger is a pure waste of vitality; it is always foolish and always unworthy, except in very rare cases, when it is kindled by seeing wrong done to another; and even that seldom mends the matter. Keep in a good humor.

Benjamin Franklin's ready smile and indomitable good humor did as much for his country in the old Congress as Adams' fire or Jefferson's wisdom. He clothed wisdom with smiles and softened contentious minds into acquiescence. Keep in good humor.

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FRENCH INTELLIGENCE CHIEF IS ARRESTED.

Paris, Jan. 3.—Capt. Georges Ladoux, former assistant chief of the intelligence bureau of the ministry of war, was arrested yesterday and after hearing his accusation read by Col. Goubet was sent to the Sante prison.

The captain is charged with the loss of a document relating to persons likely to be implicated in one of the cases now pending concerning trading with the enemy.

YOU NEXT?

A factory worker was heard to remark, "We often have accidents, but I've escaped so far." He little thought he would be next. Yet he was! His injury was only a slight one and he neglected it. It began to fester. Then blood-poisoning set in and developed so quickly that he had to have his arm amputated.

How about you? You may be next! You can safeguard yourself against the result of accidents, as many other people have done, by keeping Zam-Buk always handy.

Miss S. A. Wernicke of Hilton, B.C., accidentally ran a needle so far into her finger that it pierced the bone. She writes: "My hand became so stiff and swollen that I could not use it. I naturally tried every remedy I knew of, but it only got worse. Blood-poisoning developed and extended right up my arm. The pain was intense, and I certainly thought I would lose my arm, which was in a terribly inflamed and swollen state, and literally covered with lumps. A friend advised me to use Zam-Buk, which I did, and it was not long before the pain grew less. With perseverance the inflammation was all drawn out, the swelling and lumps disappeared, and my arm was soon quite well again."

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WILSON TO STAND BY HIS DOCTRINES

WILL NOT ABANDON "FREEDOM" OF SEAS OR LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Paris, Jan. 1.—President Wilson's trip to England has resulted in no change or deviation from his original programme on the general principle of freedom of the seas.

The United Press is able to state authoritatively today that the president's so-called "coalition" with Lord Northcliffe, as a result of which the full force of the Northcliffe press seems to have been lined up behind the general Wilson programme, has not been brought about by any Wilsonian backdown on the free seas proposal.

Northcliffe has long been an advocate of the league of nations. He has not even opposed German membership since it has been clear that the German military machine really is wrecked. He has not, however, committed himself to Wilson's ideas of the freedom of the seas. Prior to the president's arrival in France there was no particular indication that his programme was to have the support of the Conservative Northcliffe newspapers. It was even said that while in the United States Northcliffe had found but little to interest him in the Wilsonian theories.

BROKE ALL PRECEDENTS.

Consequently, when, upon his arrival in Paris, Wilson gave ready ear to the great British journalist and broke all precedents by granting an interview to Northcliffe's London Times, there instantly was a suggestion that possibly the President had seen fit to modify his view on the free seas proposition when assured of Northcliffe's support of the league idea.

The president, it can be stated on the highest authority, has never intimated to Northcliffe or to anyone else the slightest inclination to agree to a compromise on any of his fourteen principles. His "conversation" with the British publisher was spontaneous and voluntary. It was the president's desire, at the proper moment, to speak directly to the people of Great Britain so that they would understand his purposes before his visit. He merely utilized the Times as the most effective medium.

NORTHCLIFFE IMPRESSED.

Northcliffe knew, and was tremendously impressed by the effect on the French populace of Wilson's presence and utterances. With characteristic vision he obtained the interview and presented it to the British people for similar effect. Northcliffe realized fully that if President Wilson were thus assured of popular support in Great Britain the British government would be forced to accede unequivocally to his principles, even if its members were personally disposed otherwise. Besides, personal contact convinced Northcliffe of the president's disinterestedness and far-sightedness.

Although the interview presented his views graphically and concisely, it contained nothing new except his reference to his appreciation of the special international question arising from Britain's peculiar position as an island empire. Even this was not a new development, so far as the president was concerned, although it was his first public expression on the subject.

WILSON STANDS PAT.

In working out the details of this problem, in accordance with his appreciation of Great Britain's position, the United Press can state the president will not abandon a single one of his general principles regarding freedom of the seas.

Sea law must be founded, not on might, but on right," the president has said.

"The sea code must be binding to all alike and must not be changed or set aside by the will of any nation." The seas will never be free until all sailing upon them have a voice in framing the laws of the seas. Just government of the seas must rest with the consent of the governed.

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CANADA ENTERING UPON GREAT ERA

CENTURIES OF SLOW AND PAINFUL PROGRESS CULMINATING IN WORLD WIDE STRUGGLE PORTEND PERIOD OF RECONSTRUCTION, SAYS BORDEN.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Sir Robert Borden, addressed the following New Year's message to the Canadian people:

"London, Dec. 30, 1918.

"To the people of Canada:—

"We enter the new year upon the morrow of the most startling and significant events ever chronicled in the history of humanity. During the past two months great empires have been extinguished, governments founded on absolutism have crashed, nationalities long held in bondage have been liberated, new nations, and with them untried international relationships have sprung into existence.

A GREAT VICTORY.

"The victory which has been won by the forces of liberty and justice makes possible a higher and enduring victory which will secure to a war desolated world the solemn and certain assurance of lasting peace. Unless that assurance can be given and fulfilled, our present civilization rests upon unstable foundations. Centuries of slow and painful progress have culminated in a world-wide struggle, rendered infinitely more terrible by the advancement of science and by increased control over the forces which nature has placed at the disposal of mankind.

PEACE CONFERENCE.

"The approaching peace conference must in the first place address itself to the establishment of a new world order of peace. That proposal is confronted by difficulties and complexities which it is almost impossible to overestimate. So to control the material and territorial ambitions and jealousies of nations that their power and influence shall be held in trust for the common purpose of maintaining the world's peace, and of punishing lawlessness or aggression by any recalcitrant state is a task of almost incredible difficulty. Yet the sacrifice, the suffering and sorrow through which humanity has passed imperatively demand that this nobler victory shall be won.

"Attendant upon the task are a score of questions not easy of solution and involving economic, financial and territorial considerations, each of sufficient magnitude and intricacy to engage the full attention of the approaching council of nations.

"The deliberations of the peace conference will touch closely the present and future interests of Canada at almost every point. For that reason, and because it was urged upon me by the highest authorities that terms of peace were already under consideration, I arrived in England more than a month ago. Since then I have been closely occupied with my colleagues in deliberations respecting the conditions of peace and in preparation for the coming peace conference.

"Four years ago our country, absorbed as it was in internal problems of development, was inevitably brought into a conflict which vitally affected the destiny of the Britannic states. The deliberations now in progress for assuring the world's peace are thus of infinite concern to us as to all the nations. I realize that my duty as prime minister demands my close attention to the affairs of the people who more than a year ago entrusted me with so high a mandate; but I am convinced that during these deliberations, or at least, until definite conclusions shall have been reached, my first duty to my country demands my presence here. As Canada has worthily and unselfishly taken a conspicuous part in achieving the results without which her sacrifices and that of all the nations would be meaningless.

"The burdens with which the future confronts us are heavy, but they are insignificant in comparison with the heritage which is ours. With solemn thankfulness for the blessing of peace, and animated, in spite of all, with the spirit which has hitherto maintained our purpose, let us face the new year with courage, with determination, and with confidence.

(Signed) "R. L. BORDEN."



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20th December, 1918.

The tenth meeting of the Council was held in the Municipal Office on Friday, 20th December.

All the members were present.

Moved by Robinson—"That the minutes of our last meeting be adopted as read." Carried.

Moved by Hampton—"That the case of Mrs. Putnan be left over for further investigation." Carried.

Moved by Farries—"That Dr. R. J. Haworth be appointed M.H.O. for this municipality and the Secretary is instructed to write the Department and ask that the Doctor be appointed Coroner for this District." Carried.

Moved by Hampton—"That the Secretary be instructed to pay out the grant of $250.00 to the Elnora Board of Trade as soon as proof is given that the Doctor is established there." Carried.

Moved by Rowland—"That C. Little be paid the sum of $10.00 as compensation for crop destroyed by road diverting on to S.W. 27-37-24, W. 4th." Carried.

Moved by Farries—"That the Secretary's salary be increased $60.00 this year on account of requiring extra help this fall." Carried.

Moved by Brogan—"That the rate of pay for Councillors be the same as last year." Carried.

Councillors' Fees amounting to $777.10 and accounts amounting to $125.15 were passed and ordered paid on a motion by McRae.

Moved by McRae—"That the Secretary be instructed to pay the nurses' salaries at Lousana hospital." Carried.

Moved by Brogan—"That our next meeting be held in Lousana, on Saturday, the 18th of January, 1919, at one o'clock, p.m." Carried.

Moved by Farries—"That we now adjourn." Carried.

A. L. McRAE, Reeve. T. Q. MOORE, Sec.-Treas.

UNIVERSITY NOTES

The University of Alberta re-opened after the Christmas holidays on Monday, December 30th. New Year's day was observed as a holiday, and lectures were again resumed on Thursday, January 2nd. The registration to date is 457. This number exceeds by 18 the highest registration before the war. All indications point to a very active and successful, if short, year.

The Senate of the University of Alberta at its recent meeting agreed to the curtailment of the number of test examinations in all years higher than the first. Certain courses in the second year, however, and all in the first year, will have the first test of the term in the week beginning January 20th.

Special examinations will be held at the University of Alberta on January 27th for men who have already qualified as Dominion Land Surveyors and who now wish to qualify as Alberta Land Surveyors. Applications have been received from four candidates.

The University of Alberta has received a generous offer of prizes to the value of $100.00 from R. B. Bennett, K.C., of Calgary. These prizes are to be given in the department of History and Economics and will be awarded for the first time at the coming convocation.

Letters have been received from Sir Edmund Walker, Chairman, and from Brigadier General Cruickshank, Secretary of the Trophies Committee, stating that when the distribution of war trophies is made, the claims of the University of Alberta will receive full consideration.

Cards have been received from Professors McEachern, Kiliam and Smith, all on active service. Professor McEachern is now in Namur, Belgium, with the Canadian Army marching to the Rhine.

At the U.F.A. convention which is to be held in Edmonton, January 21 to 24, the Department of Extension of the University of Alberta is planning to have, as in previous years, an exhibit of books, pamphlets, lantern slides, etc. These exhibits put before the people in a graphic way the resources of the department. Many of its most regular patrons first learned from them of the services offered by the department. If you are a delegate to the convention look out for the exhibit of the Department of Extension of the University of Alberta.

NO NEED TO WORRY ABOUT GERMANY'S POWER.

One dispatch states that Von Hindenburg has concentrated troops at Posen. In this the commander-in-chief would have a large measure of support by the people who resent the assumption of power by the Poles in that part of Germany. Ere long Germany will have to back down, because the allies intend to use the Polish forces to maintain order in all national territories populated by Poles. The story that Von Hindenburg has devised a plan whereby the German army will be made stronger than ever does not warrant the slightest concern. It is not in the power of Germany to form a People's Guard or a National Army that would have any chance of successfully resisting the allies if the allied armies desired to crush Germany. Germany has lost both the inclination and the wherewithal to effectively resist the will of the allies. By intrigues or secret planning or treachery Germany in our day cannot regain her strength or position in the world.

THE BOYS WHO WILL NOT RETURN.

From round the curve of the one-half world,
Far over the ocean main.
With tattered banners of battle furled
Our boys will come home again.

From out of the war to the dear old shores,
Of the land that they loved so well
And our hearts are full of a gratitude
And gladness we cannot tell;

But our joy is stilled and our eyes grow dim,
As we think of the hearts that yearn
For the boys who are left on the battlefield,
The boys who will not return.

They were young and strong, and their hearts were light,
As they cheerily marched away;
Perhaps they recked not a fearful night
Would follow so bright a day.

They dreamed of mother and love and home;
They dreamed of new glories won;
But a leaden fate which was winged by hate,
Sped on, and their dreams were done,

Fond hearts made heavy and sore that day,
Their lesson of grief must learn.
As they think of the boy who is far away,
The boy who will never return.

They gave their all at their country's call,
With the dear flag waving above,
We think with pride of the death they died
That gave them a nation's love.

The voice was kindly, that from afar
Gave the message which bade them cease,
As they anchored out by the soundless bar
Of the warless islands of peace.

But our hearts are full and our eyes grow dim,
As we think of the ones who yearn
For the boys who sleep in their far off graves—
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CAME TO the premises of E. P. Cronquist, West Park, Red Deer, on or about Dec. 12, one Brown Mare, 3 years old. Brand appears to be JX on left shoulder. Owner can have same on proving property and paying expenses. Dec. 13.tf

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WM. SPRINGBETT.

ESTRAY.—Come to the premises of the undersigned, one Red Yearling Steer. Brand on left hip (indistinct). Owner please take him away and pay expenses. A. Gherke, S.E.¼ 4-38-28, W4th. Dec. 13

LOST.—One yearling Heifer, red, with face mostly white, and other white markings, Hereford type. Branded Rowlock H over half diamond on right ribs.—E. G. Hill, Hill End P.O., Phone 313, Edwell, Alta. Nov 27-tf

MATERNITY NURSING. — Having taken a course in the Scottish Nursing Home, Calgary, I am prepared to receive patients at my own residence, 56, Second Street, South, where the best care possible can be guaranteed.—Mrs. C. W. Wright, Phone 102, P.O. box 548, Red Deer. Nov. 20.tf

OPERATIONS UNNECESSARY. — Gall Stones removed, Appendicitis corrected in 24 hours without pain. Not sold by druggists. Mrs. Geo. Almas, 524 4th No., Saskatoon, manufacturer.

ESTRAY CATTLE.—On the premises of T. Towers, S.E. ¼ 18-37-26, W. 4th, one red yearling Steer, brand appears to be TY with bar over, on left hip. First figure badly blotched. Examined, Nov. 26, 1918.

On the premises of Joseph Malsbury, N.E.¼ 30-36-26, W.4th, one light red yearling Steer, brand appears to be F and reversed R under half diamond on left thigh. First figure blotched. Examined, Nov. 27, 1918.

THOS. J. WALTON.
Brand Reader.

STRAYED from Valley Centre, one year and a half old Steer, spotted white and red, with white back, one year and a half old red Steer, also one red Heifer, same age. Branded with bar, anchor, H on left ribs. Also one bay colt gelding, 2½ years old. Branded O, anchor over bar on left shoulder.—Reward for recovery of animals.—Wm. H. Good, Red Deer, Alta., R.R. No. 2. Nov. 27

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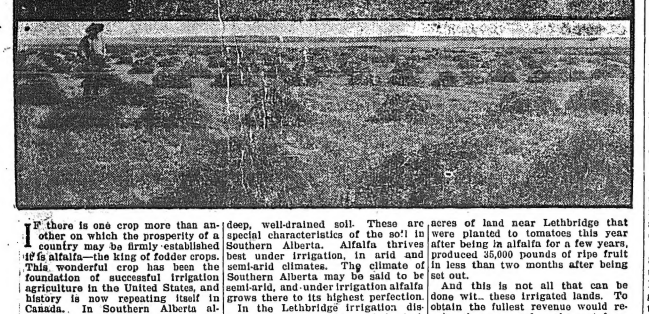
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FOR SALE.—One of the best half-sections of land in the district. A snap if taken at once.—Enquire, for particulars to Mrs. H. S. Strong, Poplar Ridge, Red Deer R.R. No. 1, or phone R607. Dec.3-tf

FORD CAR FOR SALE.—Model 1916 Touring Car in First Class Mechanical condition. Tires practically new, recently painted, new seat covers. A bargain.—Apply S. N. Carscallen, Red Deer. Dec.18

ALFALFA AND PROSPERITY



If there is one crop more than another on which the prosperity of a country may be firmly established it is alfalfa—the king of fodder crops. This wonderful crop has been the foundation of successful irrigation agriculture in the United States, and history is now repeating itself in Canada. In Southern Alberta already an important alfalfa growing district—government reports show that there were 30,500 acres in this crop this year—farmers are using more and more of their irrigated lands every year for the growing of this valuable fodder, and it is only a question of time when the irrigable lands of Southern Alberta will rank among the largest alfalfa producing areas on the North American continent. The country is still young. Thousands of acres of irrigable land have not been touched by the plow Thousands more have been broken during the last two seasons and are not yet ready for this crop, as it does not do well until the sod has been thoroughly integrated — a process which is best accomplished by the growing of one or two other crops beforehand. Then, too, during the last two years the most urgent call has been for wheat.

For the growth of alfalfa Southern Alberta is extremely well favored. Alfalfa requires abundant sunshine, and a warm summer temperature. Southern Alberta has both. During the summer months the days are much longer than they are farther south, and the sun shines almost continuously. Alfalfa does best on rich, deep, well-drained soil. These are special characteristics of the soil in Southern Alberta. Alfalfa thrives best under irrigation, in arid and semi-arid climates. The climate of Southern Alberta may be said to be semi-arid, and under irrigation alfalfa grows there to its highest perfection.

In the Lethbridge irrigation district, which is the oldest of the irrigated areas of Southern Alberta, alfalfa is beginning to be looked upon as the mainstay of the farmer. Yielding from three to four tons to the acre, and in some cases even more, in two cuttings, and selling at from $25 to $30 a ton, alfalfa has brought farmers returns of $100 an acre and upwards in one season. It is no wonder that a visitor driving through this country recently and seeing the beautiful green alfalfa fields on every hand should pronounce it one of the most prosperous districts in the whole of Western Canada.

But besides these very satisfactory returns from the sale of the hay, alfalfa is of inestimable value on account of the improved condition in which it leaves the soil in which it has been grown. Enormous yields of other crops have been obtained on land previously growing alfalfa. In 1913, which was by no means an extraordinary crop year, 757 bushels of potatoes to the acre were raised at Lethbridge on land which had been in alfalfa the previous year. Wheat on similar land yielded on successive years 58 and 59 bushels to the acre. Coming nearer to the present, two acres of land near Lethbridge that were planted to tomatoes this year after being in alfalfa for a few years, produced 36,000 pounds of ripe fruit in less than two months after being set out.

And this is not all that can be done with these irrigated lands. To obtain the fullest revenue would require that no roughage be sent from the farms as such, but only in the form of butter, cheese, beef, mutton and pork. The plant food contained in alfalfa hay is often worth more than the money actually received for the hay itself, high though this is. If only unmanufactured products were sent away this valuable plant food would be left on the farm, giving it every year increasing fertility. It is held that for every acre of irrigable land at least one head of cattle, or a proportionate number of hogs or sheep, can be supported all the year round. This fact is beginning to be appreciated, and it means that many times the number of livestock at present kept can be maintained on these irrigable lands. And as the number of live stock increases, the prosperity of the country will grow correspondingly. There are already signs that the time is not far distant when the irrigable areas of Southern Alberta will become the home of the most closely settled and most prosperous mixed farming and stock raising communities in the Canadian West, and, indeed, one of the most prosperous communities on the whole of the continent.

A Famous Wheat Grower

THAT Western Canada can produce the best wheat of this continent is once more demonstrated by the fact that at the International Soil Products Exposition at Kansas City the other day, the sweepstakes prize for the best half bushel of hard spring wheat—a $500.00 silver cup—was awarded to a Western Canadian farmer, Seager Wheeler, of Rosthern, Saskatchewan. This is the third time that Mr. Wheeler has won the premier prize, one of the most coveted amongst wheatgrowers the whole continent over, at this exposition. He was awarded the sweepstakes prize for wheat at the exposition at Witchita, Kansas, in 1914, and again at Denver, Colorado, in 1915. Wheat from his stock won the same prize for another man at Lethbridge, Alberta, in 1913. Mr. Wheeler is a famous winner of wheat prizes. In addition to the foregoing and to a large number of ribbons, cups and gold prizes at minor events, it was he, who in 1911 won the thousand dollar gold prize donated by Lord Shaughnessy, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, at New York Land Show, for the best bushel of milling wheat grown anywhere in the two Americas. In every case Mr wheeler has exhibited Marquis wheat a variety that produces in very heavy yield, and matures somewhat earlier than other varieties. It was perfected a few years ago by Professor S. A. Bedford, of Brandon Experimental Farm, and Dr. William Saunders, of Ottawa, after several years of experimentalization to obtain the best variety suited to Western Canada. The provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta contain 460,000,000 acres of land of which 200,000,000 at least are high-class farming land. Only about 30,000,000 were actually under cultivation in 1918, the enormous tracts which remain unsettled and uncultivated constituting the real "last best west" of the continent.



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Local and District Intelligence

Pianos tuned—J. E. Welton.

Swiss Bell Ringers at the Lyric on Friday evening, January 10th.

The slight snow fall last week made sleighing fairly good in the country.

Prof. Masse for artistic piano tuning. Leave orders at Madame Le Saunier's.

The regular business meeting of the I.O.D.E. will be held in the City Hall, Friday afternoon at 3.30.

The St. John working committee of the I.O.D.E. will re-open their room at the Library on Tuesday, Jan. 14.

We are enjoying beautiful weather for January. Yesterday it was above freezing point, although it was just a wee bit breezy on Sunday night.

The annual meeting of the parishioners of St. Luke's Church will be held in the Parish Hall on Thursday of this week, January 9th, at 8 p.m.

Inspector Williams left for Edmonton yesterday and Inspector Boyce will go up today. They are on educational business with the government.

The Curling Club have arranged a fancy dress carnival at the Rink for Friday evening, January 17th. Particulars will be announced later by bills and press.

Mah Quoy and Mah Chong, of Calgary, have opened the laundry south of the post office. The building has been thoroughly renovated and fixed up and the new proprietors want your business.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair J. Cote have returned from the Pacific coast and will reside in Edmonton, Mr. Cote having been appointed manager of the new offices and showrooms of the United Grain Growers', Ltd.

The members of the L.O.L. 1625 are requested to attend the next regular meeting of their Lodge to be held on Monday, January 13, at 8 o'clock sharp, as there will be extra special business conducted at that meeting. Visiting brethren welcome.

Joe Thompson, Richard Thompson's soldier boy, who joined up with the 187th, arrived in Red Deer Thursday last, and has been looking up old friends. He was given a little reception at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Halstead last evening.

Capt. C. Lyle Warke, R.A.M.C., of Pine Lake, who has been serving with the Imperial forces for over two years, returned home on Christmas Eve, after a trip of only twelve days from Liverpool to Calgary, a record trip. Lately he has been in charge of one of the large hospitals in England.

Pte. Elmir Rivers returned on Sunday morning from overseas. He joined up with the 63rd Edmonton battalion and saw a lot of hard fighting. He was placed in the fighting 49th, and was wounded three times. He returns in good form and has sure done his bit. He is with C. T. Eline at the present time.

Harry Evans returned from overseas on the early morning train on Monday last. He joined up with the University Battalion, and saw considerable service. He was wounded in the arm, and for many months was in hospital. He cannot lift his arm above his shoulder. He looks hale and hearty, and is glad to get back to old Alberta.

Applications will be received for the position of Secretary-treasurer of the Great War Veterans' Association, Red Deer Local, on or before January 18th, 1919. Application forms and all information regarding duties salary, etc., can be obtained from the Secretary, P.O. Box 710, Red Deer or at the Club-rooms. None but Active Service members who have seen service in an actual theatre of war need apply.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Oliver were up from Calgary visiting friends over the week end.

Mrs. H. P. Kenny, is spending a couple of weeks with friends in Calgary.

Ford Tallman left for Calgary on Monday to resume his studies at the Western Canada College.

Mrs. Page left for California Thursday last, where she will spend the winter.

Mrs. J. G. La France, of Acme, has been visiting Ex-Mayor and Mrs. Smith since the holidays.

L.O.L. 1625 meet on Monday, January 13, at 8 o'clock sharp. All brethren requested to attend.

Rev. Armstrong will preach in Waskasoo School on Sunday, January 11, at 3 p.m. All are welcome.

Miss Mary Middlemiss, of Calgary, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Middlemiss, at the Windsor Hotel.

Mrs. Tweed, of Medicine Hat, who was the guest of her sister, Mrs. (Rev.) Matthews, left for the coast last week, where she will spend the winter.

Roland Hill, son of E. R. Hill, who was so badly shot in the arm some months ago, left for Calgary on Saturday last, where he will take a business course at the Sprott-Shaw Business College.

The Bank of Montreal at all its branches has been authorized by the Minister of Finance to take English silver, gold, and notes from returned soldiers at the rate of 24c per shilling for silver, and $4.86 2-3 per £ for gold, Treasury notes, and Bank of England notes. In Halifax and St. John officials of the Bank are specially facilitating the exchange of English money by meeting troop ships on arrival.

Pte. Cecil Parker, one of Horn Hill's favored sons, who was a member of the 187th battalion, and who returned a few days ago, gave the News a friendly call on Monday. Cecil was shot through the side, and was ready for the Hun again when the armistice was signed. He made light of his wound, stating that if a person could only see the poor fellows shot to pieces over there, they never could talk again about his wound.

BIRTHS

At the Maternity Hospital, Calgary, on Sunday, January 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Leppard, a daughter.

At the Memorial Hospital, Red Deer, on January 1st, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Ross, a son.

WANTED.—Several Cordwood Cutters, at once. $1.25 per cord.—Apply H. Veal, R.R. No. 1, 5 miles West of Red Deer on Sylvan Lake Road. Jan. 8-tf

STRAYED.—One red and white two year old Steer, left ear split. Branded F 3 U on right side. Suitable reward will be given for information leading to the recovery of same.—A. Purdie, 6-38-25, Hillsdown. Dec. 18-3*

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WANTED.—Lady Boarders.— Apply to Mrs. C. T. Eline, 5th St. North, or phone 263. Jan. 8-tf

FOR SALE.—Fresh Milk Cow, good Milker, quiet.—Apply to A. Hicks, R.R. No. 2, Red Deer. Dec. 25-3*

FOR SALE.—Second hand Doherty Piano in very good condition, in the Mission Oak Finish, Cash Price $275.—N. White, Auctioneer, Ross Street, Red Deer. Jan. 8-2

ESTRAY CATTLE.—Came on to the premises of Geo. Domoney, Sec. 2-37-27, W4th, two young red and white cows, no visible brand, except ear mark. Owners please identity cattle, pay expenses, and take them away. Jan. 1-3

STRAYED from the premises of the undersigned, this fall, a black yearling Steer, branded 4d under bar on right hip. Suitable reward will be given for information leading to recovery.—R. F. Pengelly, R.R. No. 3, Red Deer, or at News Office. Jan. 8-3*

THE TRAIN SERVICE

GOING NORTH

	No. 521	No. 523.	No. 525
Lv. Calgary	9.05	15.00	23.55
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Lv. Red Deer	12.30	18.25	3.30
Ar. Edmonton	16.15	22.00	7.45

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	No.522	No.524	N.526
Lv. Edmonton	8.30	13.25	23.55
Ar. Red Deer	12.10	17.05	3.50
Lv. Red Deer	12.20	17.10	3.55
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NOTICE.

MORTGAGE SALE BY PRIVATE TENDER.

Pursuant to the directions of the Registrar of the North Alberta Land Registration District, tenders will be received by the undersigned up to the 1st day of March, 1919, for the purchase of the Northwest quarter of Section 36, in Township 39, Range 2, West of the 5th Meridian, Alberta.

For particulars, terms and conditions of sale apply to

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Dec. 25-3

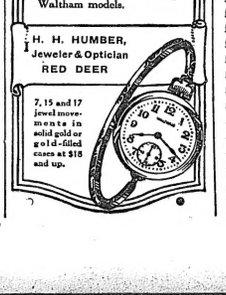


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FOR SALE. Team of Good Mares, weight about 2,800 lbs.—Apply to the News office or F. E. Losse, Box 464. Red Deer. Jan. 1-4*



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STRAYED from Hill End, one bay Mare and Colt, also one Grey Gelding. Mare and Gelding branded sideways HU on right thigh.—Suitable reward will be given for information given leading to recovery.—Fred Hill, Hill End. Phone R.313 Edwell. Jan. 8-3*

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